

# 2017 By the Numbers

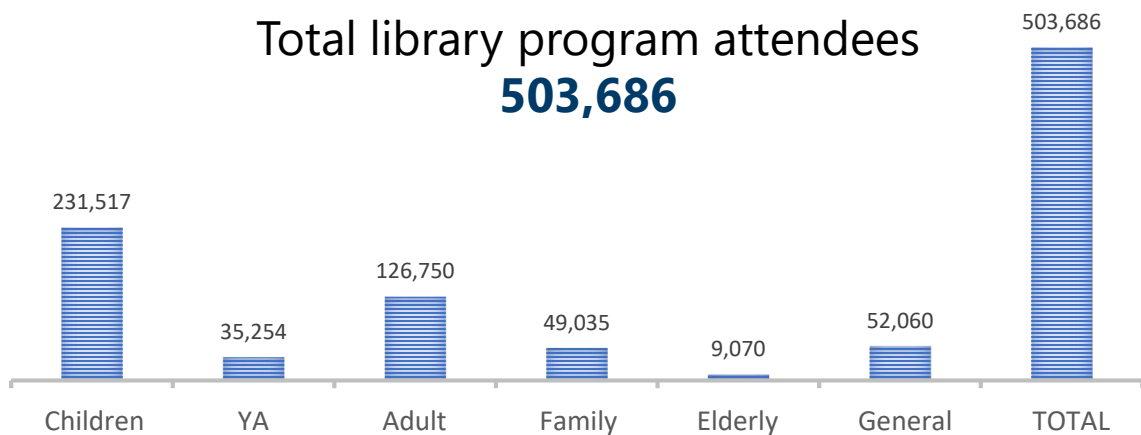
## Rhode Island Public Library Usage

**5,669,309 people**  
visited a public  
library

That's over **188** times  
the attendance of the  
Newport Folk Festival!



Total library program attendees  
**503,686**



**Over half a million  
people attended  
programs**  
**Nearly 7% increase  
from last year!**



**5,316,958** items circulated



Nearly **4** items  
for *every person!*

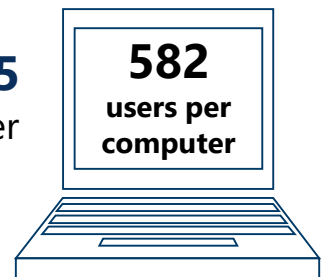
Total operating spending per capita  
**\$49 a year**

Less than the average cost  
of **1** Red Sox ticket!



**972,285**  
computer  
users

**582**  
users per  
computer



**State of Rhode Island**

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